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Student Survival Guide

Career Center:

CSUN representative will be on campus Mon., Sept. 26, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. by appointment in the Career Center.
USC School of Business representative will be on campus Wed. Sept. 28, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. by appointment in the Career Center.

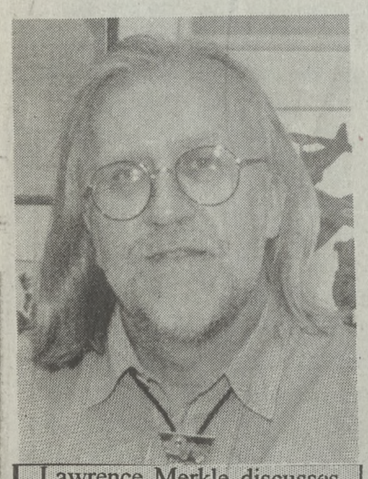
Admissions Workshop will be held Sept. 28, 12 p.m. to 1 p.m. in the Presidents Conference Room, Admin. Bldg. Appointments with these reps. may be scheduled three working days before each visit in the Counseling Dept. For further info., contact the Career/ Transfer Center, ext 246.

Counseling Center:

There will be a workshop on Puente an Academic Success Program For Mexican American Students Tues., Sept. 27, 12 p.m. to 1 p.m. in FL 102. The speaker will be Louis Garcia.

Learning Center:

There will be a Time Management workshop Tues., Sept. 27 in the Cafeteria Conference Room from 12 roon to 1 p.m.



Lawrence Merkle discusses the Child Development Center program available on campus. **See News pg. 3.**

News Notes

The Campus Christian Fellowship (CCF) is having a guest speaker, Reverend George Mathers, author of "The Dictionary of Cults, Sects and Religion" and "The Occult," Tues., Sept. 27, from noon to 1 p.m. in physics 101.

Crime Report

Cars are being stolen from the parking lots

Police are advising students to get alarms for their cars and not to leave valuables.

By SHAWN WYLIE
Valley Star Staff Writer

Two main crime problems this semester are vehicle theft and burglary from the car. Valley police report that since the beginning of the fall semester (Aug. 23) eight cars have been burglarized and seven cars have been stolen.

Officer Gosenson suggests "not to park in Lot A." According to campus police The most common type of car stolen is a Toyota. In Lot A, four cars were stolen, one at night and three during the day.

Police advise students with cars to get an alarm, place a lock on the hood, and/or use a device like The Club. Keep a record of serial numbers from personal property and put their drivers license number on personal items, including the car battery.

Students and staff should report any suspicious activity or concerns to the campus police.

Use any on-campus pay phone; just dial pound(#), then 30. Off campus the number is (818) 989-5611. The office is in Bungalow 59. It is open 7 days a week, twenty-four hours. The officer's response time is about 2 1/2 minutes.

Police and police cadets (students enrolled in Administration of Justice class) main priority is to provide a safe environment for students and staff. One of Captain Traber's goals is for, "students to be able to get their education, in the safest possible environment."

Police Crime Report

	1993	Spr. '94	Fall '94
Robbery	1	1	0
Aggravated Assault (mainly battery)	9	3	0
Burglary (personal/property)	4	0	0
Theft from Car	11	4	0
Theft of Car	30	3	7
Burglary from Car (when car is locked)	19	32	8
Vandalism	4	1	3
Weapon Possession	0	0	0
Arrests	6	3	2



Mike Latman/Valley Star

What's left of a "No Smoking" sign informing students of new no smoking policy that went into effect this Fall.

Center struggling to meet student needs

Learning Center is under staffed, tutoring has been curtailed due to budget cuts.

By REBECCA CAMARENA
Valley Star Staff Writer

The Learning Center has announced new, longer hours for the fall semester despite the recent budget cuts. The cuts will affect those students who use the center throughout the fall and spring semesters.

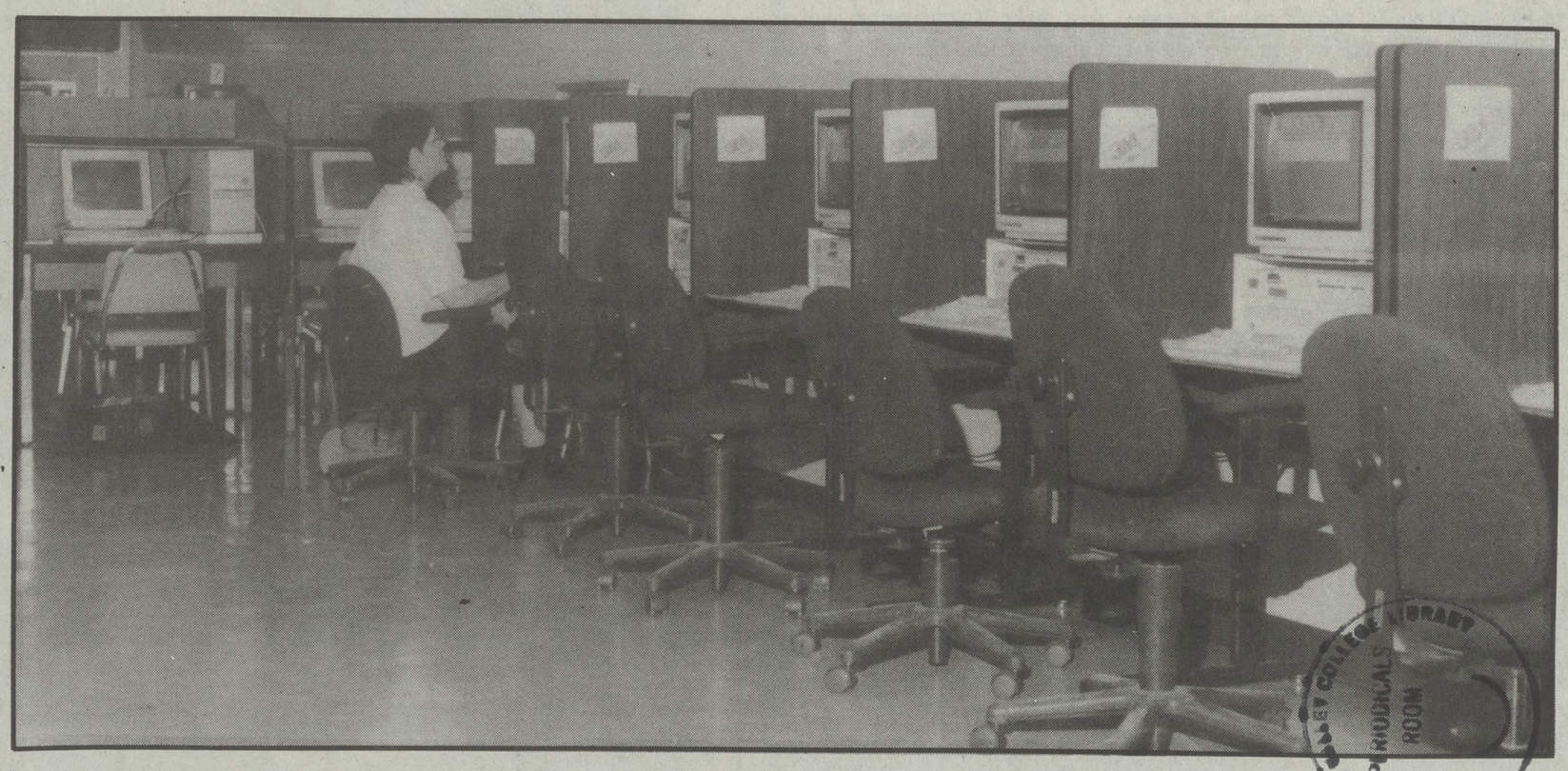
For the school year the Learning Center requested 60 percent more money over their normal budget. However, the money that was alloted was cut back even lower than what was expected.

In addition to a regular budget, the center receives money from the Associated Student Union (ASU). This has also been declining in the last few years due to fewer students becoming ASU members.

The center has had a considerable reduction in staff over the last few years. The current staff consists of two full time staff, one classified staff member and student workers.

For the fall semester English tutoring has been placed on hold as the demand for tutors increases for subjects like math, sciences and accounting.

Consulting Instructor, Richard Holdredge said, "These cuts in staff will mean less student workers and a back log for those students who are checking out materials or using equipment."
Concerning the future budget Holdredge said "We will probably have to do more with less money. Eventually we may have to choose which programs to cancel but, for right now trying to take care of all of the students needs with as little staff as we have is our goal."



Student Rebecca Green uses a computer in the Learning Center.

Rod Goodman/Valley Star

Editorial

Your time is up———

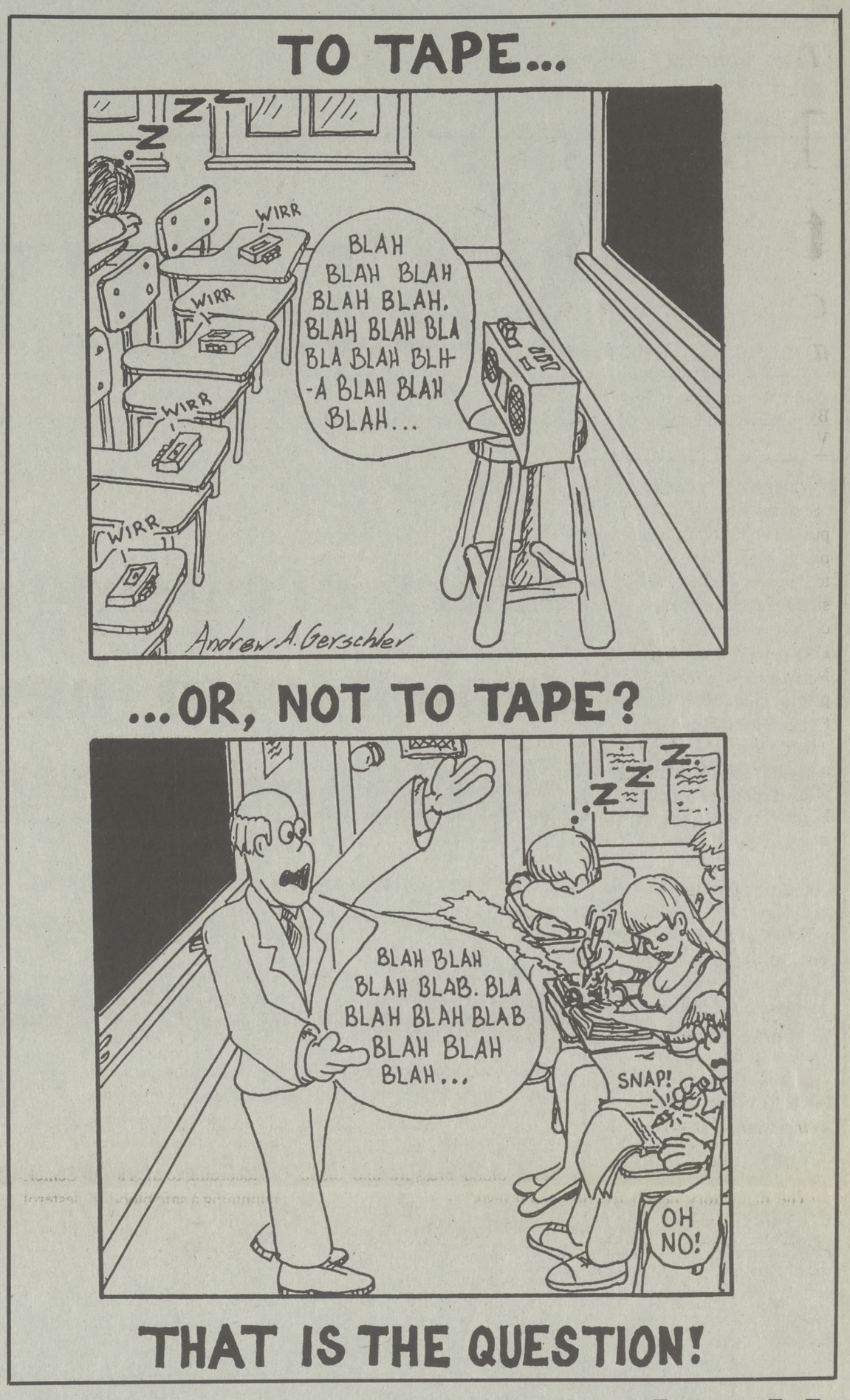
We breathed a sigh of relief when the announcement came Sunday (Sept. 18) night that Haitian leaders agreed to step down. Guess we'll never know just how close we came to being shipped out to fight another war we know little about.

We were worried when President Clinton, in his Friday night speech, said, "dictators must go," and, "your time is up" because we knew exactly who was going to go, college age men and women. The possibility of war means the possibility of the draft and then "bingo," there goes your career; there goes your future plans, and there goes possibly your life.

As it is 15,000 US troops have already been sent to stop reprisals and assassinations. Of course, that's only until an international police force has got it together, and then U.S. troop will be able to go home. However, (and there always seems to be a, however, in these situations,) Defense Secretary William Perry did say that the U.S. military would be available as a backup if the situation in Haiti got out of control.

Friday night, Clinton sounded like a father talking to his children when he said, "I know the American people are rightfully concerned whenever our soldiers are put at risk. But, it's my job as President and commander in chief to take those actions that I believe will best protect our national security interests."

He might as well have said, "This spanking is going to hurt me more than it hurts you." This man has the power to administer more than a spanking; however, he has the ability to send young men and women to their deaths all in the name of, "national security interests," whatever that means.



Recording devices should not need instructor's okay

By RICHARD MENNA
Valley Star Staff Writer

Education Code 78907 is a bad law which should be repealed. It states (in part) that students must obtain permission from an instructor in order to use a tape recorder to record information in a classroom. Only some disabled students are exempted.

If a student thinks it is worth the extra effort to record and then study a lecture, no instructor should have the right to veto this technique. After all, the student is paying the College District for all the information to be found in the classroom, not only what one is able to remember or write down.

Electronic recording devices are not only the most effective means of accurately recording information, but they also permit students to concentrate more fully on what is being said rather than being distracted by trying to write legible notes. Most people have had the experience of missing something important because they were busy trying to write down some previous statements.

No instructor can prevent someone with a photographic memory from remembering everything that occurs in the classroom. Likewise, a good stenographer or other super note-taker cannot be prevented from writing down virtually everything that goes on. Why shouldn't all students have the same opportunity to retain the information they have paid to receive?

As long as the devices are unobtrusive, there is no good reason why their use should be disallowed. If an instructor or student says something embarrassing or inappropriate, having it on tape makes the statement no more true than if written or remembered.

If there is concern that students will record instruction and then distribute the tapes to others who have not paid for the courses (a rather unlikely possibility), the is action could be made illegal (if it isn't already). If an instructor feels inhibited by the presence of recording devices, the instructor should obtain counselling and/or public speaking skills to alleviate this inappropriate attitude.

Fortunately, many, if not most, instructors have no objection to the use of tape recorders in their classrooms.

However, the point is that students should not have this aspect of their education dependant upon the personal whim of any instructor. If a student thinks that it is helpful to record classroom information that he or she has paid to receive, it should not even be necessary to inform an instructor that a recorder is in use, let alone obtain permission to use it.

Smoke does more than get in your eyes

By SYLVIA ARONSON
Valley Star Staff Writer

To smoke or not to smoke that is the question. Who are you kidding? The question is, to be smart or to be stupid. I smoked for ten years. This was before the facts came out about the effects of cigarette smoking. I have no doubt about these facts.

I dearly loved to light-up when a good friend called on the pgone after I'd gotten home from work. I would kick-off my shoes and prop my feet up on a chair and chew the fat for an hour or so, lighting up at least once more through the conversation. Cigarettes cost a lot less in those days and to be honest, I had become a chain smoker. I was lighting one cogarette, forgetting I had one already smoldering in an ash tray someplace. Fortunately for me, or so I thought, I was permitted to smoke at work too.

To make a long story short, a favorite aunt of mine died of lung cancer. The news of her death came like a thunder bolt, and I wondered, was it cigarettes? Did bad lungs run in our family? Was I at risk?

Right then and there, I made up my mind to quit smoking. It wasn't easy, especially when I socialized, but I had made up my mind. It was fear, plain and simple fear, that had decided the issue for me.

Since that time, I have had several relatives die due to smoking, and I have a couple of relatives who now drag around portable oxygen tanks wherever they go; chain smokers every one of them.

Did you ever see the TV commercials made by Sammy Davis Jr., Yule Brenner, Nat King Cole and Edward R. Morrow before their deaths?

Each knew he was dying, and the cause was cigarette smoking. What a great loss they all were!

You are here as a student to educate yourself. So open your eyes and see and read.

Don't be stupid.

Don't smoke. I'm glad I'm still here to be able to tell you, if you smoke, stop, and if you don't smoke, don't start.

Letters

Dear Editor

How fortunate we are, new and returning students, to be a part of Valley College. Adding to the many advantages is the increasing ethnic integration of our administration, faculty and staff. A special treasure is our campus police, under the command of Karl Traber. Its main activist is Officer Mike Habitch. The students recognizing the caring nature of the police, awarded them bicycles so that all of us can come closer together.

Evidence of concern for all of us is the student health center. K. Mahoney is the supervisor. She wishes that the students would use the facilities for prevention too.

We have a garden-like campus and a swimming pool. We have a fitness center which is top of the class. Co-directors, Marla O'Connell and Bernie Christain and their staff welcome your membership.

Shining for all of us, bright and beautiful, is the Valley Star, our student newspaper. It helps to unify the campus with its news, notices and editorials. It speaks for us. Its leadership changes with the semesters, but it is always valuable. We must support it. It is an important part of our Bill of Rights.

Join in the activity on the campus; make it your second home. Recognize that these are your college days, a time for culture and fun too. This is a time to store precious memories.

Bill Fury
Fitness Center

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There is a center for everyone

Take your problems to the writing center

Computers, videos ,audio tapes and tutors are all available to students interested in improving their writing.

By AARON DORN
Valley Star Staff Writer

Students who are having trouble putting the finishing touches on a paper, or just need advice on how to improve their essays, should stop by the Writing Center. The center is located in room 100 of the Humanities Building and is open Mon. through Fri. 8 a.m. to 12 p.m., and 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Mon. through Thurs.

Twelve tutors are available to advise students on any reading or writing assignment they might have. Half hour tutoring sessions may be requested each day upon availibility.

There are three apple computers at the center which are equipped with E-Mail and Internet services. The center is also equipped with a color printer, two photocopy machines and a scanner. The scanner has the ability to copy and change the size of any photo and then place it anywhere on a paper.

The Internet and E-mail services are not yet available to students, but are currently being used by tutors and teachers.

English teacher Rod Moore, who frequents the center said,"The Internet allows me to connect with colleagues at other colleges so that we can exchange teaching strategies on certain subjects.

Writing Center manager Steve Whitney is quick to point out that more equipment has been ordered, but that arrival time is unknown.

"Just as an example it took the floormats six months to arrive."

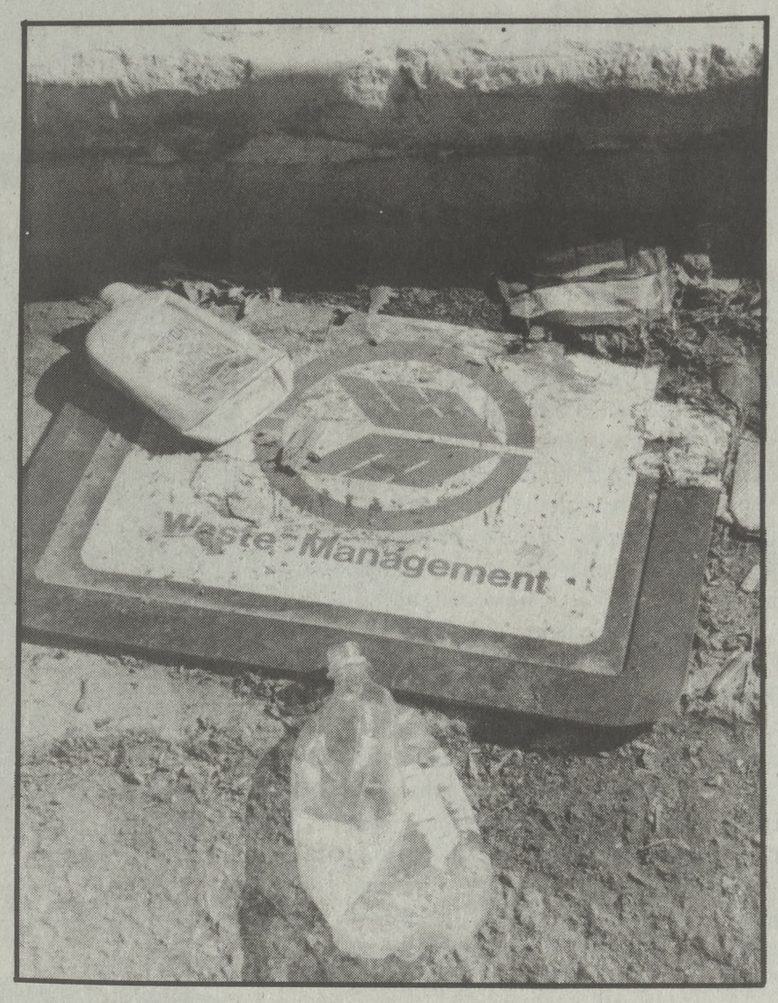
The center offers students tutoring on reading assignments. "A lot of students read essays and it doesn't get across to them. Here at the Writing Center tutors help students analyze assigned readings," said Whitney.

Managing tutor Rhonda Eisner said that the center simply helps students by giving them a basic understanding of the English language, so that mistakes made now can be prevented in the future. "It's a good thing," said Eisner.

The Writing Center is funded by a $200,000 grant from the Alliance for the Advancement of Education, a non-profit group.

The grant covers the cost of all the equipment, and tutors' salaries.

All of the money for the center, including the grant was made possible by the Patrons Association, which is responsible for fundraising.



Waste management is in the gutter outside of the Valley football field.

Daryl Glinn/Valley Star

Services at the health center

By SHAWN WYLIE
Valley Star Staff Writer

The mandatory health fee of $7.50 entitles students to all programs and services available at the Student Health Services Center, located in the Women's Gym.

Free pamphlets and flyers about health education are on a table in front of the center's office.

There is a variety of literature on topics such as nutrition, AIDS, date rape, and sexually transmitted diseases.

Condoms are in a basket on the counter for students to just help themselves to. Also available, at no charge, are urine pregnancy tests, blood pressure and blood sugar tests.

Students can make an appointment for a free physical examination given by a medical doctor.

If over the counter medicine is needed, such as Advil, Motrin or Benadryl, just ask for it at the desk. A referral for a free and confidential AIDS test is also available to students.

Health care counseling and health videos are among the free services offered at the center. Tuberculosis testing is available for a $5.00 fee as well as cholesterol screening.

According to the Health Center, maintaing a safe blood cholesterol level helps reduce the chance of heart disease and heart attack. The test procedure itself consists of having blood drawn.

For more information about programs and services provided by the Health Center call (818) 780-0652 or go to the Women's Gym. Certified Nursing Assisstant (C.N.A.) Jeanie Conrad and Jill Woods R.N., are at the Health Services Center to help students.

The child development center takes care of kids on campus

By NORMAN BRETZ
Valley Star Staff Writer

The Child Development Center celebrated its 20th anniversary this past January. Lawrence Merkle, director of the Child Development Center said that low income, Valley students with children have top priority, but that all students have access to the Center as well. Merkle also said there is a waiting list at the Center. Once there is an opening, those on the waiting list have next priority to attend.

The Center is licensed to handle 60 children at one time. According to Merkle, however, the center has handled 74 to 85 children. Children are grouped by age, three to five year olds for daytime care and school age kids up to 13 years old, for parents taking night classes.

Activities for tots range from book reading and story telling, playing with blocks, drawing, outside play and clay sulpture. Meals are also provided.

Enrollment fees at the center are based on a sliding scale (on family size and gross monthly income). Merkle said the range is $0 to $2 an hour. The center receives funds from the Child Development Services State Fund. The meals provided for the children come from the International Childrens Institute.

Merkle said that the school district has insurance coverage for those children enrolled in the program. Children seen playing in the hallways and elsewhere on campus and are not enrolled in the center are the responsibility of their parents. There is a policy at Valley that states students may not bring their children to class.

Those students interested in this program for their children may call (818) 988-8570 or (818) 781-1200 Ext. 231. The location of the center located at the northeast section of the campus, parking lot D, adjacent to the corner of Oxnard St. and Ethel Ave.



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Campus clubs are flocking together

By DONNA RUSSELL
Valley Star Staff Writer

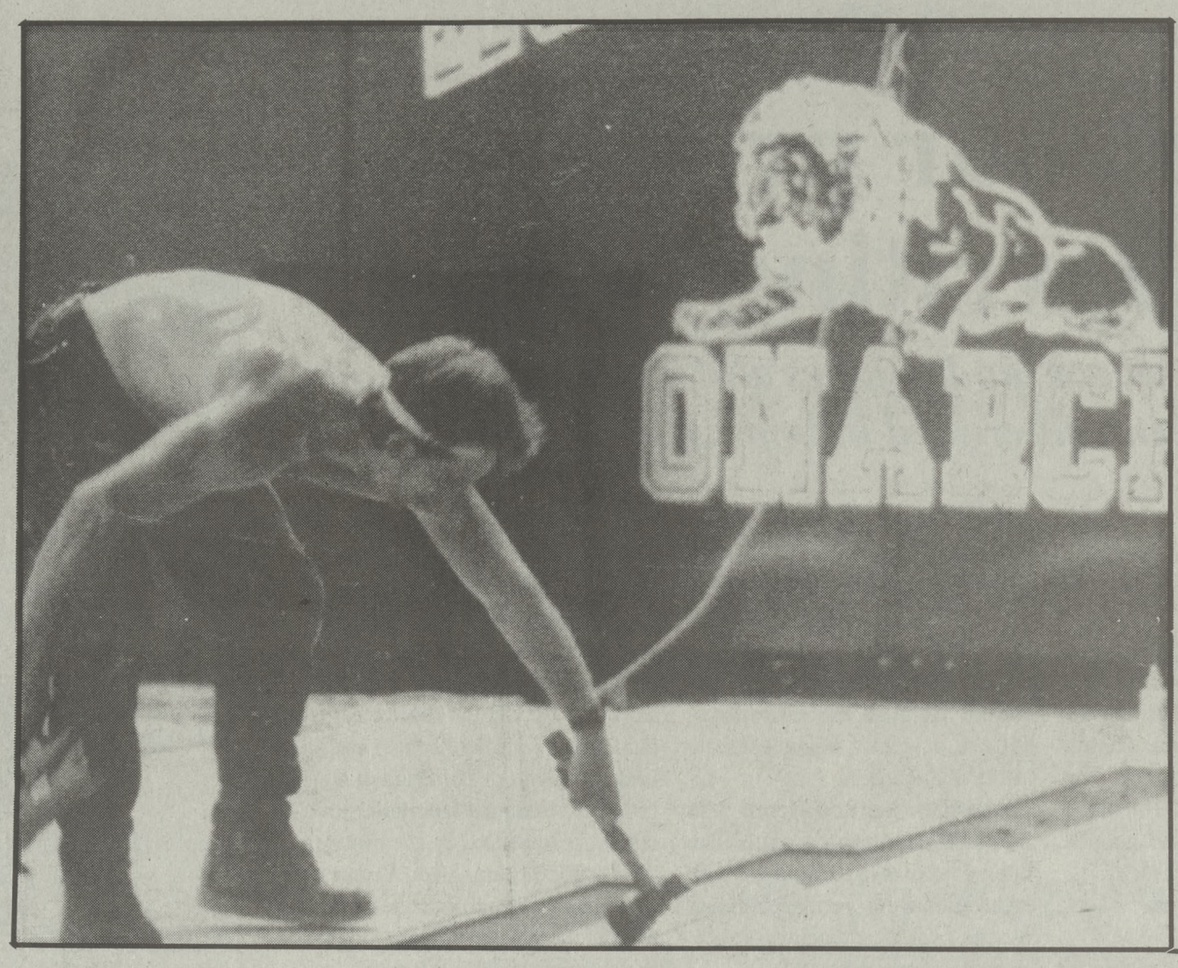
Hillel Club is the liaison between Jewish students and the Jewish community. Be on the lookout for the erection of the sukkah hut to begin Fri., Sept.16. The Jewish holiday, Sukkot, lasts 8 days. Campus festivities will be on Mon., Sept. 26, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Monarch Square. Faculty, staff and students are invited to the celebration. Music, refreshments and the ceremonial shaking of the Lulav and Etrog are part of the event. Hillel meets every Thurs. from 9 a.m. to noon in Monarch Square and will be present at all senate meetings to keep up with campus activities, according to Hillel intern, Joshua Epstein.

Cross Culture Club (CCC), was founded by Rayvone Douthard shortly after the 1992 Los Angeles riots. CCC's purpose is "to bring the world together and to experience life the way it was meant to be. To love each other and every human being that lives on this planet we call Earth. To experience and understand all cultures, traditions and ways of life. To share knowledge in order to bring the best out in ourselves."

CCC meets every Wed. from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. in Humanities 104. Their first meeting was graced with a visit from Jacinto Aneille Rhines Jr, who is an African American poet, lecturer, nutritionist, self-respect motivator and cultural role model, who stands for universal human upliftment. According to Rhines, healing can come through the 'Word of Art'.

Campus Christian Fellowship (CCF) believes in healing and the 'Word of God', welcoming all students to come for prayer and fellowship. The club's president, Michael Ramirez, wants students to know that Christianity does not mean you have to live an imprisoned life, chained to what you believe. He plans a late September concert of Heavy Metal Christian Bands to act out that message saying, "We are all still human."

Having signed 60 new members in 3 days, Ramirez is anticipating good things for the club's future. The group meets every Tues. from noon to 1 p.m. in physics 101, Wed. from noon to 1 p.m., physics 104 and Thurs. 1 p.m. to 2 p.m., physics 106. "CCF stand for giving, forgiving, understanding and love," says Ramirez.



Steve Dolezal working on the new floor in the Men's Gym.

C. Osiri/Valley Star

Timecop is nothing but an average time

By SHAWN WYLIE
Valley Star Staff Writer

Timecop, now showing nationwide is a mediocre science fiction movie about time travel. Max Walker, played by John-Claude Van Damme, is a federal officer in the year 2004. Walker is assigned to a special police task force that patrols time travel.

The goal of the police force is to prevent anyone from going back in time and changing events in history. Actor Ron Silver plays the villian Senator Aaron McComb. McComb trys to finance his presidential campaign by taking money from the past.

The movie has many weak points. Van Damme is not a believable actor because he shows little or no emotion. There are a few laughable jokes. If Timecop's one-liners are meant to be as humorous as the original Lethal Weapon's were, it failed. At times the plot is confusing and illogical. Although in scenes it is original and surprising.

The flaws in the movie are equal to its strong points.
Silver makes the movie. His performance is spectacular. The special effects are excellent, ranking with the best of science fiction movies. For the most part Timecop is action packed and the martial arts are powerful.

IMS Filmex Fall '94 Schedule

All films are shown on campus on Wednesdays at 12:30 p.m. All films are shown in BSc 101

September 21:

Howard's End starring Anthony Hopkins, Emma Thompson, Venessa Redgrave and Helena Bonham Carter. Directed by James Ivory. Winner of three Academy Awards including Best Actress in 1992, 143 mins.

September 29:

Amadeus starring F. Murray Abraham, Tom Hulce and Elizabeth Berridge. Directed by Milos Forman. Winner of eight Academy Awards including Best Picture of 1984, 158 mins.

October 5:

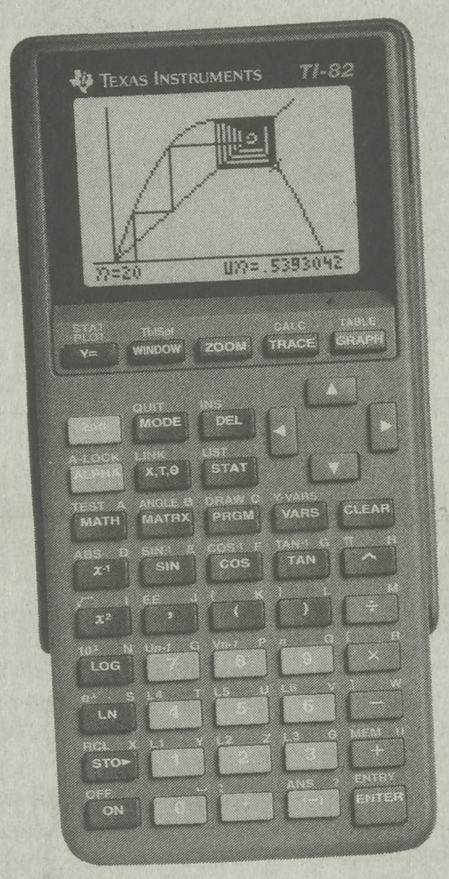
Jane Eyre starring Orson Welles, Joan Fontaine and Margaret O'Brian. Directed by Robert Stevenson. 1944, B&W, 96 mins.

October 12:

Gorillas in the Mist: The Adventure of Dian Fossey starring Sigourney Weaver, Brian Brown, and Julie Harris. Directed by Michael Apted, 1975, 129 mins.

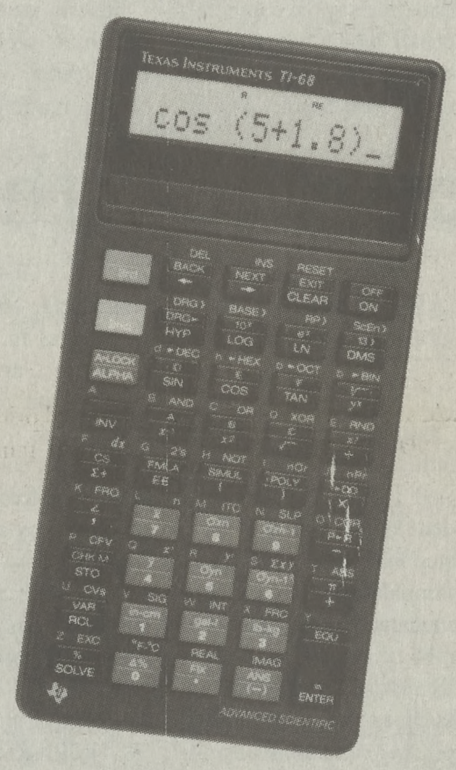
October 19:

The Best Years of Our Lives starring Myrna Loy, Fredric March, Dana Andrews, Teresa Wright and Harold Russell. Directed by William Wyler.



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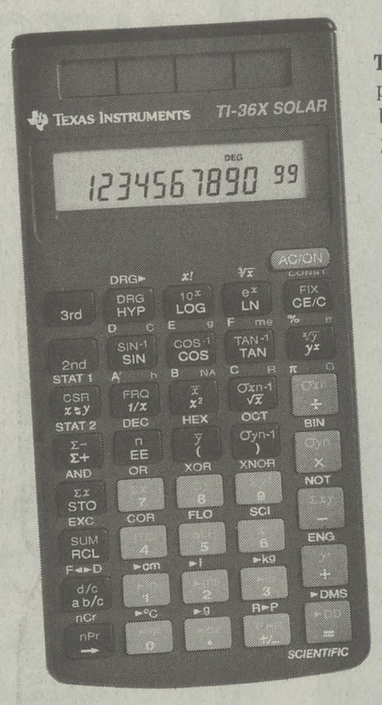
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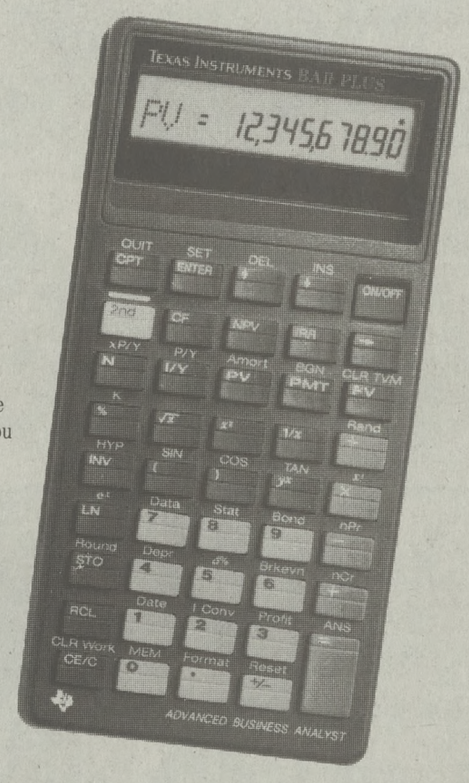
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William Koegler and his ugly old limo on the lawn of the Valley campus.

Rod Goodman/Valley Star

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Take a ride in a vintage limousine and then do the town red by touring the death sites of the rich and famous.

By SHAWN WYLIE
Valley Star Staff Writer

Have a party in a sparkling pink fun-house limousine! Rent it and enjoy a disco ball, a bed, and a moon roof. Student William Koegler has created his own business and called it, An Ugly, Old Limo Company.

One of the very first cars Koegler bought for his own personal use was a black, 1972 Cadillac limousine. He explains that he," bought it just for kicks." Friends began asking to borrow the car for dates and parties. Koegler offered to drive his friends instead. This led to the idea of opening a low cost transportation service.

Koegler first opened his company in 1985, but then closed it in 1989. The business has re-opened this year under the name, An Ugly, Old Limo Company. Koegler reports that business is steadily increasing. " A lot of my business is by word-of-mouth from satisfied customers."

The limousine exteriors range from rusted primer to camouflage green with gun turrets and are either Pontiacs or Cadillacs. The year of the cars range from 1966 thru 1972. Most of the limousines have tinted windows. The exteriors are ugly and old, but the interiors are continually being updated. Some of the limos have a TV, VCR, and a stereo. Others include a compact refrigerator. Most of the cars also have new upholstery.

"The only limit to the cars is my own imagination"

William Koegler

The main focus of the company is for each car to have a personality if its own. For instance, among the fleet of cars available, there is a 1972, white Pontiac Catalina, stretch station wagon, which features bullet resistant windows. Koegler said, "The only limit to the cars is my own imagination."

The company's aim is to have something for everyone and every occasion. "People usually ask if their dates would like the limo," explains Koegler, " and my reply is, they'll hate it. It'll probably be the ugliest car they've ever seen and they laugh and then they rent my limo."

The motto of, An Ugly, Old Limo Company is,"We guarantee your unhappiness." This was adopted Koegler said, because it is obviously the opposite of what a standard limousine company would say to a customer. Koegler also said that because his cars are about, "having fun" the company makes only two guarantees. One is that the car will be on time to pick up the customer. The other is that the customer will arrive at their destination on time. Koegler recommends his limos to people who have a vivid imagination and a fine-tuned sense of humor.

Tragically making money

There is a division of William Koegler's company, An Ugly Old Limo Company, and it's called Tragedy Tours. This business side-line is a chauffered route to the death sites of famous people and celebrities. The tour includes a brief history lesson about the deceased. Tragedy Tours has been doing continuous business since 1985. As far as Koegler knows, he is the first person to organize a tour about death sites in a funeral car as well as offering the same tour in a limousine.

Among the famous death sites visited is that of Marilyn Monroe. The guide takes the customer to Monroe's house, where her death occured and then takes the customer to her grave

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KVCM, the sound around LAVC

By DAVID HELLESKOV
Feature Editor

Campus radio station, KVCM, has extended its airwaves and tested the waters, so to speak, to go above and beyond the close quarters of the Valley campus into the surrounding Van Nuys area. With the addition of a portable microphone, students are also able to broadcast live from anywhere on campus, without a wire.

KVCM broadcasts live from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m., every Mon. through Fri. in Humanities 112. KVCM, 83.0 on your radio dial, can also be seen as a simulcast on Channel 15 of the United Artists cable network, a community affairs channel. Any a.m. radio will pick up the Valley station, along the no commercial frequencies.

Professor of broadcasting, Ray Wilson said, "Valley was the first college to offer a broadcasting program in the mid 50's and we got our first studio during the 60's." Wilson, an instructor since 1977 said, "Currently I'm trying to target high school seniors. My primary focus is to get them ready for a career in broadcasting and radio."

Former broadcasting students have gone to work for the following radio stations: KFWB, KROQ, KZLA, KMPC FM and WBBM in Chicago. Wilson said, "I hope to develop enough of an audience for Valley to communicate with our community outside the campus."

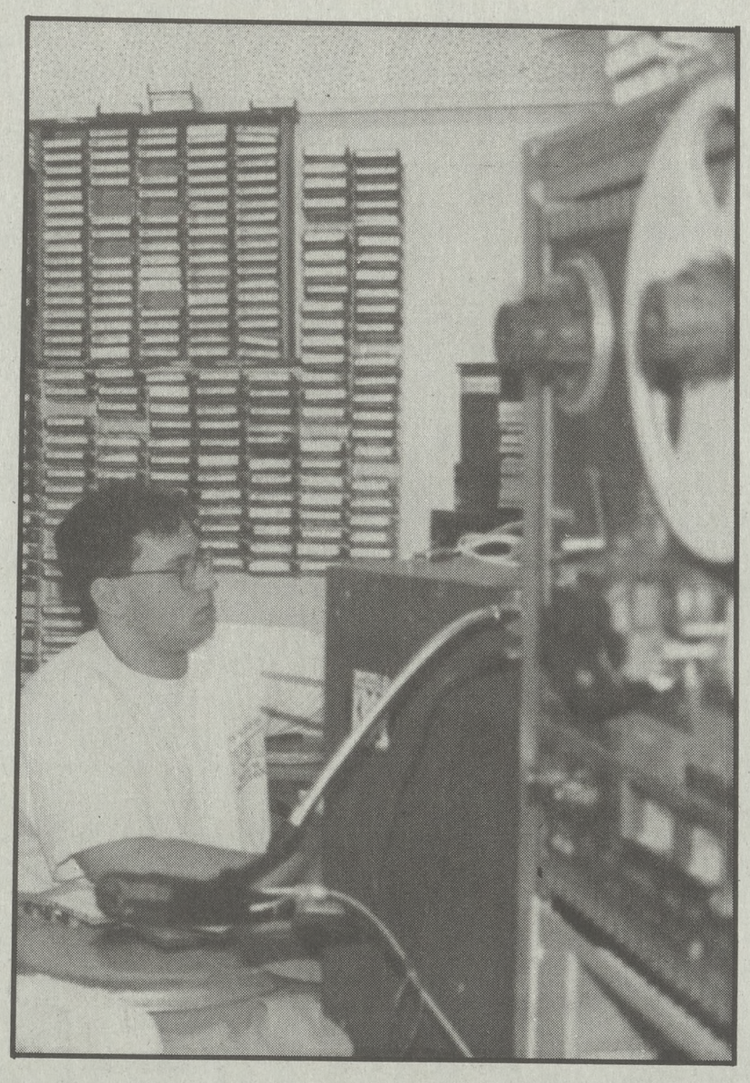
Ken Edelberg, a communications/broadcasting major, also known on the air as "Ken the Boardhor," is the morning disc jockey at KVCM. Edelberg said, "I'll hit anywhere on the music spectrum, as long as it's rock 'n' roll. My laugh is what distinguishes me from the other on-air personalities."

Angie Pelayo also a broadcasting major, is on the air from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m., Mon. through Fri. She said, "I work better with somebody and play mostly 80's music, just when pop was getting started." Games and poetry moments are also part of Pelayo's morning show.

Pelayo began her radio experience by doing promotions for DJ's at parties. Pelayo said, "I just wanted to try something new. In radio, you have to be ready for anything and have a lot of patience. You also need creativity and know how to program a transmitter. We do a lot of production and have the opportunity to make something nice, atrocious or humorous." Some of the new live programs on KVCM are Gary's Island, a take-off on Gilligan's Island and The PC Police (PCP), a satirical look at campus cadets.

KVCM is on a closed circuit and cannot interfere with KMPC and other surrounding stations, therefore, students cannot tune in to KVCM off campus. Valley students are welcome to come in and listen to the campus radio station, before 9 a.m. and after noon, in Humanities 112.

Anyone with announcements should contact KVCM in Humanities 112. Radio programming is constantly changing, so give a listen and request a tune by dialing 781-1200, ext. 305.



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Nathaniel Mendoza, also known as, "Cookie" is at work on the air waves at KVCM.

Latinos helping Latinos

By SEDRAK EKIMYAN
Valley Star Staff Writer

Want to try something new, meet new people, and get involved in school activities? Well, that's where Latinos for Higher Education (LHE) come in. LHE was organized to give Latino students a chance to get involved in school activities, but you don't have to be Latino to join.

The club was founded in the Spring of 1994. Valley students, Wendy Lozano, Hector Saldivar, Elizabeth Lopez, Miguel Garcia, Annie Garcia, Claudia Parra, and Margarita Parra all came together to establish LHE.

Active members of the club are provided with opportunities to interact with professionals and organizations already established in the local community. Guest speakers occasionally speak at meetings and field trips are arranged for LHE members to visit other college campuses.

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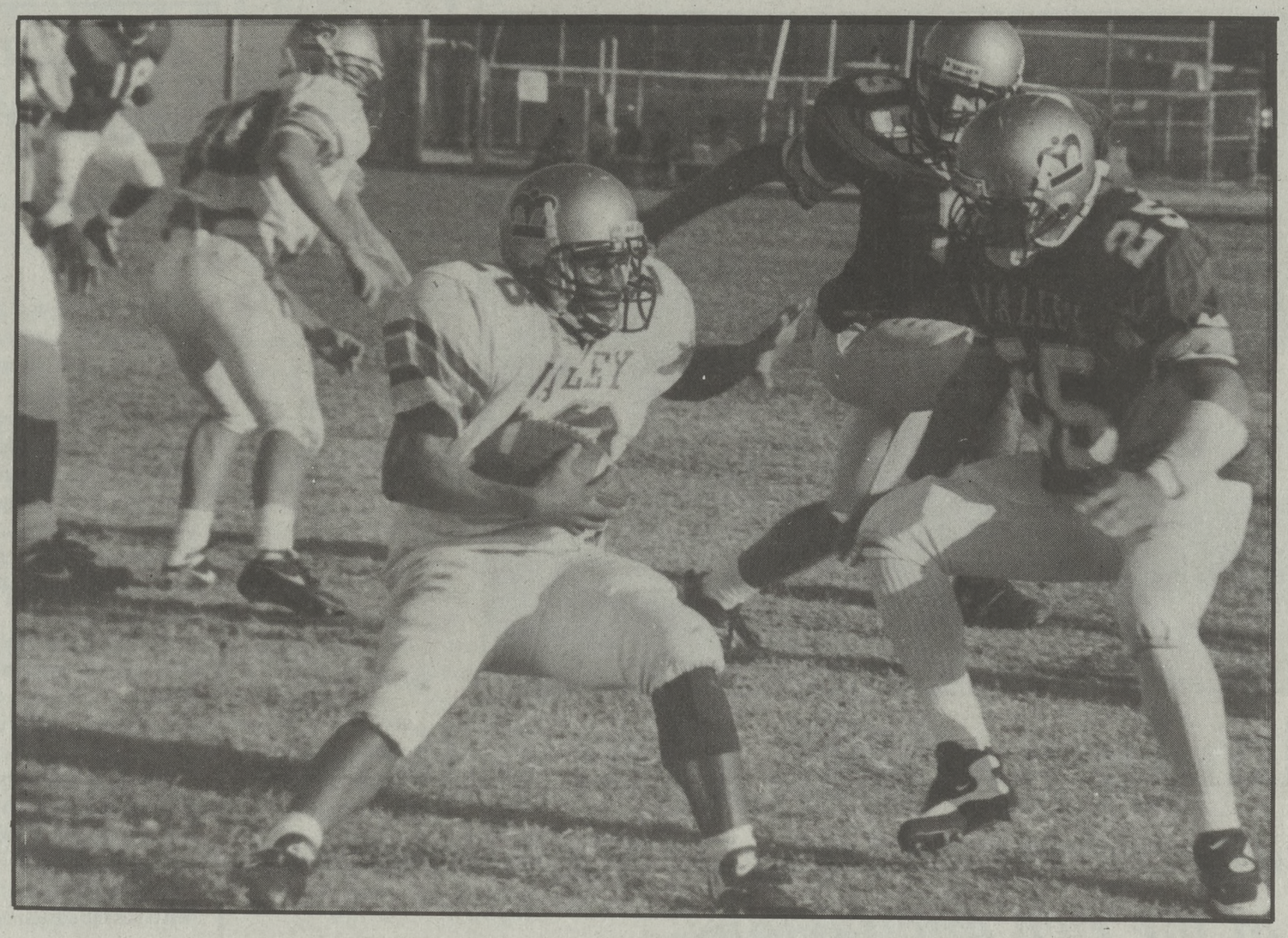
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Monarchs continue their winning streak

By AARON DORN
Valley Star Staff Writer

Quaterback Jim Arrellanes had his Valley College debut leading the Monarchs to a 41-24 victory against Santa Barbra College Sept. 10.

A transfer from northern Arizona, Arrellanes completed 28-40 passes for 402 yards and three touchdowns passes. Arrellanes also added an eight yard touchdown run to his stats in the stats in the fourth quarter. After starting the game with three straight incompletions, Arrellanes was virtually unstoppable, leading the Monarchs to seven scoring drives.

Santa Barbra was the first team to get up on the board, with a two yard touchdown run by running back Chad Marsalek in the first quarter. Valley had a 30 yard touchdown pass from Arrellanes to sophmore reciever Brian Comer. Arellanes strong arm had a game with 12 receptions for 194 yards and three touchdowns.

After Santa Barbra took a 14-7 lead in the second quarter with a 4 yard run. The Monarchs came back with two second quarter touchdowns. The first of which was a 15 yard touchdown reception by Comer. Running Back Steve Brenes finished off Valleys first half scoring with a two yard touchdown run. Santa Barbra addeda 28 yard field goal to close the first half scoring.

The Monarchs extended their 21-17 halftime lead with two touchdowns and two fieldgoals. Comer started off the second half scoring with a three yard touchdown reception. Santa Barbra kept the game interesting by pulling within four points with a 33 yard touchdown run by Marsalek. That was the end of their scoring.

After a pair of Monarch field goals, Arrellanes put the game away with his eight yards.

Monarchs Diandre Bell and Chris Shinnick collide in practice game.

Aggressive ladies are back

By HERNANDO PLANNEL and VICTOR YIM JR.
Valley Star Staff Writers

Womens softball is back. Missing from the Athletic Department for the past few years it is making a return. The department has spent the past three years rebuilding a softball team that has been missing since the 1980's.

Leading the way for the Monarchs is head coach Kodee Murray. Murray won a California Interscholastic Federation (CIF) award during her tenure at Woodbury High School. Murray also coached a professional team in Italy with Golden West College.

Athletic Director Chuck Ferrero praised the selection of Coach Murray and is expecting a, "highly successful season." Ferrero calls the team, "classy" and "very impressive." There are currently 12 girls on the team.



Lady Monarchs don't play like girls

By LEESA GUADAGNO and LEONARDO MAYORGA
Valley Star Staff Writers

"I believe in mental toughness and if you are mentally strong you can do anything, but, that mental toughness comes from discipline and my discipline came from basketball." said Rocher.

The Lady Monarchs practice three times a week, Tues. and Thurs. from 3 p.m. to 6:30 and Fri. from 4:30 to 7 p.m. Workouts consist of mostly conditioning and fundamentals like shooting, dribbling, rebounding and defensive drills.

The team is working up their endurance until they play their first game against Victor Valley College on Tues. Nov. 15.

Maggie House whose position is point guard was awarded honarable mention for her performance last year. House was noticed by the league as a good player.

"The point guard handles the ball 90% of the time, I also control the floor, determine whether we go fast pace or slow pace. If things get out of control I would be the one who gets things under control." said House.

Nikkie Hamilton, Maggie House, Erika Upton, Yvonne Zandi, Maria Fulley, Dima Ra, and Netta Glaze are some of the returning sophmores this year. Freshmen include Valerie Brady, who is known to Head Coach John Taylor as "Notre Dame's all-time leading scorer," along with Erika Kusek and Dimara Kusek.

"They are turning out to be great and are going to help us a lot." said Assistant Coach Sandrine Rocher. "We are much more together than we were last year. As far as winning the championships, I don't know," said House.

Hamilton recently sprained her ankle while trying to make a play for the ball. She then stepped on another players foot and lost her balance. "Basketball is a big part of my life so when I can't play I get antsy." said Hamilton.

Coach Taylor said that he believes they will be very competitive and have the talent to fight for a championship. "Last year was the first time in five years that we did not win our conference, so this year we are hungry for a title," said Taylor.

Shagarro Lattin and Sandrine Rocher are Coach Taylor's assistant coaches. Both played together when they attended Valley. Now they are giving back to the team what the team has given to them.

"From a players prospective, basketball shows you disipline and motivation. Motivation comes from within and you have to have great coaches to motivate you." said Rocher.

"The coaching team is supportive and whenever possible the team is worked hard.

They are making a lot of changes so we have a better season this year." said House. "I think we have a good coaching staff.

Valley Football Schedule

Sept. 24
7:00 p.m. vs. Glendale

Oct. 1
7:00 p.m. vs. Hancock
(Hancock at Righetti H.S.)

Oct. 8
7:00 p.m. vs. Los Angeles Southwest

Oct. 15
7:00 p.m. vs. Moorpark

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